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Memorandum

To: Director, Bureau of Land Management

From: Director *A. Dale Hall*

Subject: Handbook on Military Munitions and Explosives of Concern

The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) greatly appreciates the efforts of the Bureau of Land Management in directing the project to develop "Military Munitions and Explosives of Concern: A Handbook for Federal Land Managers with Emphasis on Unexploded Ordnance." We recognize the substantial effort invested by BLM, and the critical involvement of many of your staff, especially Dwight Hempel, Myioshi Stith, Nancy Dean, and Celeste Mitchell. The draft Handbook was widely circulated within the Service, and you have accommodated our comments. Many of the reviewers noted that they found the information in the draft version already helped them in dealing with various situations related to munitions. The Handbook will be useful for field personnel not only in our agencies, but also for personnel in other non-military Federal and State natural resource agencies.

We look forward to continued collaboration with BLM as we work together to address the challenges associated with military sites and other lands with munitions and explosives.

